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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Applicants	:	Miki MULLOR et al.)	Customer No.
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Appln. No.	:	09/164,777)	26694
)	PATENT TRADEMARK
Filed	:	October 1, 1998)	OFFICE
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For	:	METHOD OF RESTRICTING)	
		SOFTWARE OPERATION WITHIN)	
		A LICENSED LIMITATION)	
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Group Art Unit	:	2161		
Examiner	:	C. Hewitt		
Atty. Dkt.	:	39636-176166		

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 22031AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 15, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11, 12, 14 and 15 without prejudice to their re-entry at a later date.

Please amended the claims as follows:

C1 12/16. (Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein a pseudo-unique key is stored in the non-volatile memory of the BIOS.

C2 16 20. (Amended) A method for accessing an application software program using a

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